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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Takehiko SUZUKI, et al.)	Examiner: Quana M. Grainger
Application No.: 09/597,210)	Group Art Unit: 2852
Filed: June 20, 2000)	Confirmation No.: 5981
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS)	October 29, 2004
WITH A CHANGEABLE TRANSFER)	
BIAS FOR TRANSFERRING A)	
TONER PATCH IMAGE)	
(AS AMENDED))	

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

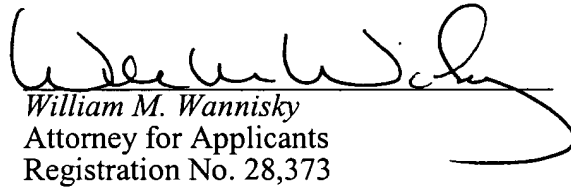
Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated June 29, 2004, for one month from September 29, 2004, up to and including October 29, 2004.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office address given below.

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